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In re Application of

Yasuyuki HASHIMOTO et al.

Patent Art Unit: 3681

Serial No.: 10/725,289

Examiner: Eric M. Williams

Filed: December 2, 2003

For: DAMPER MECHANISM

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Sir:

In response to the May 19, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page two (2) of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the *Listing of Claims*, which begins on page three (3) of this paper. Claims 1-3, 7, 11-13, and 17 are pending, with claims 1 and 11 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page eight (8) of this paper.